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ACCORDING

TO OCTOBER 1 PRESS RELEASE THE SOUTH AFRICAN
MAIZE BOARD HAS QUOTE JUST CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT WITH
THE BOARD OF FOREIGN TRADE, MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC
AFFAIRS OF REPUBLIC OF CHINA, FOR THE EXPORT OF
1,350,000 TONS OF SOUTH AFRICAN MAIZE TO TAIPEAN.
THE MAIZE WILL BE EXPORTED OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD
WHICH WILL COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY AFTER PRESENT AGREEMENT
EXPIRES, 31 MAY 1976.

AGREEMENT

FOLLOWS TALKS WITH MEMBERS OF TRADE MISSION
WHICH IS CURRENTLY VISITING SOUTH AFRICA UNDER LEADER-
SHIP OF MR. U.T. WONG, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF BOARD OF
FOREIGN TRADE AND SUCCEEDS SIMILAR AGREEMENT WHICH
WAS SIGNED IN JANUARY 1973.

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AT CONCLUSION OF FIRST AGREEMENT THE MAIZE BOARD

EXPRESSED BELIEF THAT SUCH LONG-TERM CONTRACTS COULD
MAKE A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS STABILISING THE
MARKET FOR SOUTH AFRICAN MAIZE IN TAIWAN AND ALSO
TOWARDS FURTHERING TRADE IN GENERAL BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES, THE CONCLUSION OF THIS SECOND AGREEMENT
AND THE FACT THAT A MISSION CONSISTING OF 29 MEMBERS
IS VISITING SOUTH AFRICA TO PROMOTE TRADE WITH THEIR
COUNTRY IN A WIDE RANGE OF GOODS, SHOWS THAT THIS EX-
PECTATION WAS JUSTIFIED. UNQUOTE.
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